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PREFACE

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Additional copies of the checklist can be obtained from the U.S. General Accounting Office, 700 4th Street NW, Room 1100, Washington, DC 20548, or by calling (202) 512-6000, or TDD (202) 512-2537. This checklist replaces GAO's previously issued exposure draft of the *Guaranteed Loan System Requirements Checklist* (GAO/AIMD-21.2.7, August 2000) and is available on the Internet on GAO's Home Page (*www.gao.gov*) under "Other Publications, Accounting and Financial Management." Hard copies of the JFMIP document also can be obtained from GAO or can be downloaded from the JFMIP website at *JFMIP.gov* under "JFMIP Documents, System Requirements."

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Abbreviations

CAIVRS	Credit Alert Interactive Voice Response System
CFO	chief financial officer
\mathbf{CM}	configuration management
COTS	commercial off-the-shelf
DOJ	Department of Justice
FCRA	Federal Credit Reform Act
FFMIA	Federal Financial Management Improvement Act
FMFIA	Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act
FMS	Financial Management Service
IRS	Internal Revenue Service
JFMIP	Joint Financial Management Improvement Program
NPR	National Performance Review
OGC	Office of the General Counsel
OMB	Office of Management and Budget
OPM	Office of Personnel Management
SF	standard forms
SFFAS	Statement of Federal Financial Accounting Standards
SSN	Social Security Number
TIN	taxpayer identification number
TOP	Treasury offset program

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OVERVIEW

The Federal Financial Management Improvement Act (FFMIA) of 1996 requires, among other things, that agencies implement and maintain financial management systems that substantially comply with federal financial management system requirements. These system requirements are detailed in the Federal Financial Management Systems Requirements series issued by the Joint Financial Management Improvement Program (JFMIP)¹ and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-127, *Financial Management Systems*. JFMIP requirements documents describe the federal financial system architecture as (1) core financial system, (2) managerial cost accounting, and (3) 13 subsidiary or mixed systems supporting agency operations, not all of which are applicable to all agencies.² Figure 1 is the JFMIP model that illustrates how these systems interrelate in an agency's overall systems architecture.

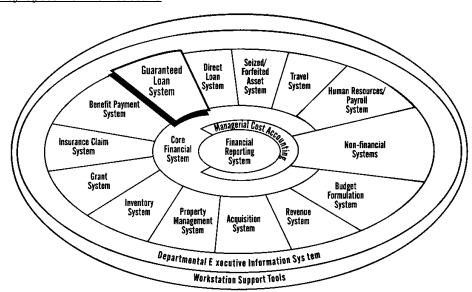


Figure 1: Agency Systems Architecture

Source: JFMIP Guaranteed Loan System Requirements (March 2000).

¹JFMIP is a joint cooperative undertaking of OMB, the General Accounting Office, the Department of Treasury, and the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), working in cooperation with each other and with operating agencies to improve financial management practices throughout the government. The program was initiated in 1948 by the Secretary of the Treasury, the Director of the Bureau of the Budget (now OMB), and the Comptroller General and was given statutory authorization in the Budget and Accounting Procedures Act of 1950. The Civil Service Commission, now the Office of Personnel Management, joined JFMIP in 1966.

²JFMIP has also issued the *Framework for Federal Financial Management Systems* (FFMSR-0, January 1995) that defines the framework for establishing and maintaining financial management systems to support management and deliver programs of the federal government. GAO published a companion checklist, *Framework for Federal Financial Management System Checklist* (GAO/AIMD-98-21.2.1, May 1998).

To date, JFMIP has issued 10 of the 15 functional requirements. (See figure 1.)³

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Authoritative Guidance

OMB Circular A-127 and OMB's implementation guidance provide the basis for assessing compliance with FFMIA requirements which agencies use in order to implement and maintain financial management systems that comply substantially with federal requirements. The implementation guidance identifies various criteria that an agency must meet to substantially comply with these requirements. One of the criteria listed in the OMB guidance is the JFMIP system requirements series.

The source of all the questions in this checklist is the JFMIP *Guaranteed Loan System Requirements* (JFMIP-SR-00-01, March 2000). This document provides high-level functional requirements for guaranteed loan systems that will provide the capability for financial managers and others to control and account for guaranteed loan program assets, liabilities, and resources as defined in governmentwide and agency-specific statutes, regulations, and guidelines. The March 2000 document is an update of the December 1993 JFMIP *Guaranteed Loan System Requirements* document. The primary purposes of this update are to reflect (1) changes in statutes, regulations, and technology that have occurred since the document was originally published (e.g., passage of the Chief Financial Officers Act of 1990, FFMIA of 1996), (2) changes brought about by the National Performance Review (NPR), and (3) increased availability of commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) software packages. It should be noted that the checklist is based on the existing published JFMIP standards and that changes in laws, regulations, and standards and practices since the standards were issued are not included in the checklist.

The revised JFMIP document segregates functional requirements into two general categories—mandatory and value-added. The mandatory requirements describe what the system must do. They consist of the minimum acceptable functionality necessary to establish a system and are based on federal laws and regulations. Mandatory requirements are those against which agency heads evaluate their systems to determine

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³Thus far, the series includes the (1) Core Financial System Requirements, (2) Inventory System Requirements, (3) Seized Property and Forfeited Assets System Requirements,

⁽⁴⁾ Direct Loan System Requirements, (5) Guaranteed Loan System Requirements,

⁽⁶⁾ Travel System Requirements, (7) Human Resources & Payroll Systems Requirements,

⁽⁸⁾ System Requirements for Managerial Cost Accounting, (9) Grant Financial System Requirements, and (10) Property Management Systems Requirements.

substantial compliance with system requirements under FFMIA. These requirements apply to existing systems in operation and new systems planned or under development. The checklist uses " (\mathbf{M}) " immediately following the question to indicate that it is mandatory for the system to do that.

The value-added requirements describe optional features and may consist of any combination of the following: (1) using state-of-the-art technology, (2) employing preferred or best business practices, or (3) meeting the special management needs of an individual agency. Agencies should consider value-added features when judging systems options. The need for these value-added features in agency systems is left to the discretion of each agency head. The checklist uses "(V)" immediately following the question to indicate that the item is value-added and not mandatory.

How to Use This Checklist

OMB's 2001 implementation guidance provides chief financial officers (CFO) and inspectors general with a means for determining whether their agencies' financial management systems substantially comply with federal financial management system requirements. The annual reporting required by 31 U.S.C. 3512(d) is one means of assisting agencies in the determination of substantial compliance. Agencies can also use this checklist as a tool to help determine compliance with federal financial management system requirements.

Completing this checklist will allow agencies to systematically determine whether specific systems requirements are being met. In determining substantial compliance, agencies should assess the results of the completed checklist on the guaranteed loan system requirements taken as a whole.

The checklist contains three columns with the first citing the question. Use the second column to answer each question "yes," "no," or "na." Use the third column to explain your answer. A "yes" answer should indicate that the agency's guaranteed loan system provides for the capability described in the question. For each "yes" answer, the third column should contain a brief description of how the guaranteed loan system satisfies that capability and should also refer to a source that explains or shows the capability.

A "no" answer indicates that the capability does not exist. For a "no" answer, the third column should provide an explanation and, where applicable, a reference to any related supporting documentation (e.g., the agency is working on modifying or implementing its guaranteed loan system to have the capability available in subsequent years; management believes the capability is not cost effective and will not enhance the guaranteed loan system's ability to manage operations). Cost-benefit studies, or other reasoning, that supports a "no" answer should be identified in the explanation column. If there are no cost-benefit studies or other support, a full explanation should be provided.

"No" answers should not be viewed individually or taken out of context. Rather, "no" answers should be assessed as to their impact on the overall guaranteed loan system and the extent to which the "no" answers inhibit the entire guaranteed loan system from meeting substantial compliance.

Certain questions within the checklist may not be applicable to the agency. Answer such nonapplicable question(s) with "na" and provide an appropriate explanation in the third column.

GUARANTEED LOAN SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

The guaranteed loan system requirements document provides an overview of guaranteed loan system requirements (the checklist questions for this area are drawn from pages 10—17 of the JFMIP source document); introduction to functional requirements (the checklist questions for this area are drawn from page 20 of the JFMIP source document); and functional requirements for the seven functions described below: (1) lender management,

- (2) guarantee extension and maintenance, (3) portfolio management, (4) acquired loan servicing, (5) delinquent debt collection, (6) Treasury cross-servicing, and (7) other reporting requirements and records retention requirements (the checklist questions for this area are drawn from page 64 of the JFMIP source document).
- 1. <u>Lender management</u> supports analysis of lenders' program eligibility and monitors lender performance to ensure that only qualified and financially sound lenders participate in federal guaranteed loan programs. (The checklist questions for this area are drawn from pages 21–27 of the JFMIP source document.)
- 2. <u>Guarantee extension and maintenance</u> supports the accounting and documentation requirements for the evaluation of the guarantee request, the extension of the guarantee by the federal agency, and the monitoring of the guarantee. (The checklist questions for this area are drawn from pages 28–35 of the JFMIP source document.)
- 3. <u>Portfolio management</u> supports the management and evaluation of the guaranteed loan program and its portfolios of outstanding guaranteed loans and acquired loans. (The checklist questions for this area are drawn from pages 36–42 of the JFMIP source document.)
- 4. <u>Acquired loan servicing</u> encompasses the procedures for default claim review and payment in accordance with guarantee agreements and regulations, as well as the invoicing and collection procedures for acquired loans and the foreclosure and liquidation of property for collateralized loans acquired by the government. (The checklist questions for this area are drawn from pages 43–50 of the JFMIP source document.)
- 5. <u>Delinquent debt collection/troubled debt servicing</u> includes the recovery of delinquent debt through the use of dunning letters, offset programs, collection agencies, garnishment of nonfederal wages, litigation, and termination of collection action on uncollectible debt. It also includes the foreclosure and liquidation of property for collateralized loans acquired by the government. (The checklist questions for this area are drawn from pages 51–58 of the JFMIP source document.)
- 6. <u>Treasury cross-servicing</u> occurs when Treasury's Financial Management Service (FMS) or a Treasury-designated debt collection center provides debt collection services for other federal agencies. (The checklist questions for this area are drawn from pages 59–62 of the JFMIP source document.)

7. Other reporting requirements provides for two types of reporting (1) transaction history and (2) external reporting requirements. (The checklist questions for this area are drawn from page 63 of the JFMIP source document.)

The checklist questions follow the JFMIP source document. It should be noted that not all questions will apply in all situations and, as with the use of any checklist, professional judgment should be exercised. Using the JFMIP source document and its "Appendix B: Glossary," which defines terms used, along OMB Circular A-127, *Financial Management Systems*, and OMB *Revised Implementation Guidance for the Federal Financial Management Improvement Act (FFMIA) of 1996*, issued January 4, 2001, will help ensure that the user is cognizant of the background information necessary to fully understand the questions.

	System overview	Yes/no na	Explanation
1.	Does the guaranteed loan system being designed and implemented, or in use, operate in accordance with laws, regulations, and judicial decisions? It is the responsibility of the agency to be knowledgeable of the legal requirements governing its system. (M)	па	Explanation
2.	Do functional requirements not mandated by law, regulation, directive, or judicial decision result in cost-effective systems that are in the interest of the government? (M)		
3.	Have all possible alternatives for meeting the requirements been considered? (M)		
4.	Has the agency carefully determined which value-added requirements are necessary for each credit program? (M)		
5.	Has the agency developed an efficient, effective, and economical strategy for interfacing, or logically integrating, its guaranteed loan systems (or subsystems) with other systems (or subsystems) that provide information to, or utilize information from, standard guaranteed loan systems? (M)		
6.	Are the data in optional processes consistent with standard guaranteed loan systems that contain the official records for the agency? (M)		

	Yes/no	7
System overview	na	Explanation
Relationship with other systems 7. Is the system capable of		
interfacing with other financial management systems (e.g., the core financial system, the managerial cost accounting		
system, common processes for managing receivables, capabilities related to collecting delinquent debt, and the property management system)? (M)		
8. Does the system interact with the core financial system to perform fund control checks, initiate or record payments, and record the results of other guaranteed loan-related financial transactions, and acknowledge receipt of financial information exchange? (M)		
9. Does the system perform automatic system balancing? (M)		
10. Does the system balancing ensure that guaranty loan partners involved in a financial information exchange agree on transaction number and dollar values passed, processed, and rejected? (M)		
11. Does the automated system balancing include cumulative subsidiary account balancing to the general ledger? (M)		
12. Does the automated system balancing ensure that guaranty loan partners reflect the same picture of valid transactions		

System overview	Yes/no na	Explanation
over a specified period of time, normally a month? (M)		•
13. Is the system capable of supporting managerial cost accounting and credit subsidy reestimates? (M)		
14. If the agency acquires property serving as collateral on a defaulted guaranteed loan, does the system provide the property management system with the information needed to manage and liquidate the collateral? (M)		
Relationship with other systems – system interface functioning verification		
15. Does a team, independent of the development organization, perform all verifications to ensure that the system is capable of interfacing with other financial management systems? (M)		
16. Does verification include intersystem testing to ensure that the system can process incoming and outgoing data for other interfaces for the guaranty loan program? This testing will ensure that the guaranty loan system can accept data files, process them correctly, and transmit the necessary transactions to other systems. (M)		
17. Does verification include having all intersystem vendors involved with the testing create and		

System overview	Yes/no na	Explanation
accept a comprehensive test plan? (M)		•
18. Does verification include having a team, independent of the development organization, review requirements, test plans, and scenarios; monitor test execution; and ensure that testing objectives are met? (M)		
19. Does verification include the team, independent of the development organization, working as a partner in the development effort, gaining system-specific knowledge while reviewing processes, outputs, and techniques to ensure compliance with procedures and quality results? (M)		
20. Are issues, when they arise, tracked through a configuration management (CM) tool? (M)		
21. Are resolutions included in testing sign-off documentation when issues are resolved? (M)		
22. Does the review, other than test execution, include, at a minimum, the following: requirements traceability matrix, functional requirements document, detail design document, system specifications, and manual procedures? (M)		
Relationship with other systems – system interface functioning verification –		

	Yes/no	
System overview	na	Explanation
requirements traceability		
matrix		
23. Is the system able to demonstrate that all development requirements are incorporated into the final system output through the use of requirements traceability matrices? (M)		
24. Are the matrices submitted with the preliminary design document? (M)		
25. Are the matrices updated with each subsequent step in the enhancement effort (i.e., requirements should be traced through preliminary design, detailed design, specifications, test plans, and test results)? (M)		
Relationship with other systems – system interface functioning verification – functional requirements document 26. Does the system perform work needed to accomplish the specified outcomes, achieve or exceed the specified performance standards, record and reconcile money, and track report activity? (M)		
Relationship with other systems – system interface functioning verification – detail design document		

	Yes/no	
System overview	na	Explanation
27. Does the detail design fully	1144	DAPIMICUOII
consider requirements for		
hardware, software, integration		
with other systems, security,		
telecommunications, data		
management, manual		
procedures, quality		
assurance/quality control		
(QA/QC), auditability, and		
capacity planning and		
management? (M)		
28. Does the detail design		
document the design in		
system/subsystem		
specifications, program		
specifications, and database		
specifications? (M)		
Relationship with other		
systems –		
system interface functioning		
verification –		
system specifications		
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29. Are system/subsystem specifications, program		
specifications, program specifications, and database		
specifications, and database specifications all included		
within the detail design		
document? (M)		
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30. Do the specifications include, at		
a minimum, flowcharts,		
input/output processing, and		
file layouts? (M)		
Relationship with other		
systems –		
system interface functioning		
verification –		
manual procedures		
31. Are all system modifications or		
maintenance changes		
incorporated into manual		

System overview	Yes/no	Evalenation
System overview	na	Explanation
procedures and functions as		
necessary to keep the		
procedures up-to-date? (M)		
32. Does system testing ensure that		
all related manual procedures		
perform according to system		
requirements? (M)		
Relationship with other		
systems –		
post-implementation testing		
33. Are transactions reviewed to		
make sure that they are		
processing correctly and that		
the data being produced are		
reliable after the system is		
implemented? (M)		
34. Is the testing conducted with		
actual production data? (M)		
35. Is the testing done with the		
team, independent of the		
development organization,		
verifying expected results? (M)		
36. Are daily, monthly, quarterly,		
and fiscal/calendar year-end		
reports reviewed prior to		
dissemination, whenever		
possible, to ensure that the data		
have been updated correctly?		
(M)		
Relationship with other		
systems –		
configuration management		
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37. Is configuration management		
(CM) used to establish and		
maintain the security and		
integrity of the system		
throughout its development life		
cycle? (M)		

System overview	Yes/no na	Explanation
38. Does the comprehensive CM provide all project team members with a consistent level of understanding of the system engineering process, maintain systems stability, and reduce technical risk associated with the development effort? (M)		•
Data requirements		
39. Does the system store, access, and/or update these seven types of data:		
Lender/servicer information? Guarantee information? Claim information? Acquired loan information? Program criteria? Core financial system information? External organizational information?		
In the JFMIP document, a grouping of related types of data is referred to as an information store. The term information store (rather than database or file) is used to avoid any reference to the technical or physical characteristics of the data storage medium. (M)		
40. Has the agency determined the actual data storage (physical databases and files) during system development and implementation based on the loan program's statutory requirements and the agency's technical environment, processing volumes,		

organizational structure, and degree of system centralization or decentralization? (M) Data requirements – information stores internal to the guaranteed loan system – lender/servicer information data? Lender/servicer application data? Lender/servicer review data? Approved lender/servicer data? Lender/servicer status? (M) Data requirements – information store include the following data: Cender/servicer status? (M) Data requirements – information store information stores internal to the guaranteed loan system – guarantee information 42. Does the information store include the following data: Guarantee data (e.g., lender, loan amount, guarantee level, loan status, subsidy information, interest rate, and loan terms)? Collateral data (e.g., appraised value, status; mandatory unless specifically excluded by program requirements)? Borrower data (e.g., borrower's name, address, social security number (SSN) or taxpayer identification number (TIN),		Yes/no	
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System overview	Yes/no na	Explanation
Guarantee fees due and/or collected? (M)		•
43. Does the information store include rejected guarantee data (e.g., lender, reason for rejection)? (V)		
Data requirements – information stores internal to the guaranteed loan system – claim information		
44. Does the information store include the following data:		
Claim application data? Claim status? (M)		
Data requirements – information stores internal to the guaranteed loan system – acquired loan information		
45. Does the information store include the following data:		
Acquired loan data? Acquired loan status? Acquired loan collateral data? Payment history? (M)		
Data requirements – information stores internal to the guaranteed loan system – program criteria		
46. Does the information store include the following data:		
Lender eligibility? Lender financial rating? Lender risk rating? Portfolio evaluation?		

	Yes/no	
System overview	na	Explanation
Creditworthiness?	1100	<u> </u>
(Mandatory unless		
specifically excluded by		
program requirements.)		
Borrower eligibility?		
Guarantee fees?		
Fee penalty?		
Claim application		
evaluation?		
Invoicing?		
Receipt application rules?		
Debt collection?		
CAIVRS (credit alert		
interactive voice response system) referral?		
Credit bureau reporting?		
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Treasury offset referral?		
Collection agency selection?		
Litigation referral?		
Write-off? (M)		
47. Does the information store		
include the following data:		
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Close-out?		
Loan sale? (V)		
Data requirements -		
information stores external to		
the guaranteed loan system -		
core financial system		
information		
48. Does the information store		
include the following data:		
Declarity of 14.9		
Budget execution data?		
Receivables?		
Disbursement data?		
Collections/receipts?		
Administrative costs?		
Principal and interest data?		
Acquired asset data?		
Collateral? (M)		

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System overview	Yes/no na	Explanation
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Data requirements – information stores external to		
the guaranteed loan system –		
external organizational		
information		
49. Does the information store		
include the following data:		
Lender rating data?		
Treasury interest rates?		
SF-1151s (Non-Expenditure		
Transfer Authorization) and		
SF-1081s (Voucher and Schedule of Withdrawals		
and Credits)?		
Loan status?		
Sale approval?		
Collection activities and		
results?		
Write-off approval?		
Foreclosure data? (M)		
50. Does the information store		
include sale proceeds? (V)		

Introduction to functional requirements	Yes/no na	Explanation
1. Are the following functions supported by the system?		
Lender management? Guarantee extension and maintenance? Portfolio management? Acquired loan servicing? Delinquent debt collection? Treasury cross-servicing? Other reporting requirements? (M)		

	Yes/no	
Lender management	na	Explanation
General requirements – lender eligibility process – process lender application		
1. Does the automated system record and update lender application information, ensuring that all required data are present and valid (e.g., ninedigit numeric taxpayer identification number (TIN))? (M)		
2. Does the automated system document that any required lender application fee has been received and calculated correctly? (M)		
3. Does the automated system provide an automated interface with the core financial system to record the receipt of any application fee? (M)		
General requirements – lender eligibility process – evaluate lender eligibility		
4. Does the automated system compare lender application information against information on firms currently debarred/suspended from participating in a government contract or delinquent on a debt to the government? (M)		
5. Does the automated system compare lender application information against information concerning the lender's financial credentials from banking regulatory agencies,		

Lender management	Yes/no na	Explanation
rating services, and other information sources? (M)	па	Explanation
6. Does the automated system compare lender application information against lender performance data? (M)		
7. Does the automated system compare lender application information against qualification requirements for principal officers and staff? (V)		
General requirements – lender eligibility process – approve/disapprove lender application		
8. Has the agency consummated an agreement in accordance with the requirements defined in OMB Circular A-129, <i>Policies for Federal Credit Programs and Non-Tax Receivables</i> (January 1993), for approved lenders? (M)		
9. Does the automated system update the lender information store to reflect the agency's decision on the lender application? (M)		
10. Does the automated system maintain data on lender disapprovals as an historical reference to support effective monitoring of future lenders? (M)		
11. Does the automated system generate and electronically transmit a notice to inform the lender of approval or		

Lender management	Yes/no na	Explanation
disapproval of the lender's application? (V)	, and	DAPIGNATION
12. Does the automated system record text comments related to approval or disapproval of the lender application? (V)		
General requirements – lender eligibility process – establish lender agreement		
13. Does the agreement (agency's contractual relationship with the approved lender) state program requirements, lender and agency responsibilities, due diligence standards, reporting standards, and loan servicer participation requirements? (M)		
14. Does the automated system record relevant data concerning the lender agreement? (M)		
15. Does the automated system document that the lender agreement has been consummated by the agency and lender? (M)		
16. Does the automated system provide a tracking mechanism to identify expiring agreements needing renewal? (M)		
17. Does the automated system generate the lender agreement for signature by the lender? (V)		
18. Are annual or special reviews conducted for high-volume lenders/servicers or lenders/servicers with poor performance? (M)		

Lender management	Yes/no na	Explanation
General requirements lender/servicer monitoring process - monitor lender/servicer performance 19. Do agreements between lenders and servicers specify that loan	mu	Dapaneon
servicers must meet applicable participation requirements and performance standards? (M)		
20. Does the agreement also specify that servicers acquiring loans must provide any information necessary for the lender to comply with reporting requirements to the agency? (M)		
21. Does the automated system compare lender/servicer financial and performance information against agency portfolio evaluation criteria to identify lenders/servicers for regular or special review? (M)		
22. Does the automated system compute performance statistics for effective monitoring, including delinquency rates, default rates, and claim rates? (M)		
23. Does the automated system compute a quantified risk for each lender/servicer? The risk is quantified by weighting appropriate risk factors (e.g., loan volume, delinquency rate, default rate) based on the correlation between the risk factors and lender/servicer performance. (M)		

Lender management	Yes/no na	Explanation
24. Does the automated system compare the quantified lender/servicer risk to risk rating criteria to assign a risk rating to each lender/servicer (e.g., high, medium, low)? (M) 25. Does the automated system	па	Explanation
enter high-risk lenders/servicers on a problem watchlist and generate a notice to each affected lender/servicer? (V)		
General requirements lender/servicer monitoring process – support lender/servicer reviews		
26. Does the agency document the on-site review findings of lenders/servicers to evaluate their performance against program standards and requirements and submit them to agency review boards? (M)		
27. Does the automated system provide historical performance information on lenders and servicers identified for review to the review team? (M)		
28. Does the automated system provide for scheduling and tracking of the review team's activities? (V)		
29. Does the automated system document review results including date of review, name(s) of reviewer(s), and any deficiencies and associated explanations? (V)		

Lender management	Yes/no na	Explanation
30. Does the automated system record text comments relevant to the review process? (V)		
General requirements lender/servicer monitoring process – assess corrective action		
31. For minor noncompliances, do the agencies and lender/servicer agree on corrective actions? (M)		
32. Has the agency defined the decertification process and established timetables by which decertified lenders may apply for reinstatement in accordance with OMB Circular A-129? (M)		
33. Does the automated system update the status of lenders and servicers that do not comply with agency standards for continued program participation or do not correct deficiencies identified through reviews in a reasonable period of time? (M)		
34. Does the automated system provide data to support corrective action plans such as penalties and/or sanctions? (M)		
35. Does the automated system record penalties and/or sanctions imposed by the agency review board on those lenders or servicers found to be in serious and frequent noncompliance with federal program standards? (M)		

	Yes/no	
Lender management	na	Explanation
36. Does the automated system generate a notice to inform the lender/servicer of a finding of noncompliance (electronically, where appropriate), including any penalties or sanctions and the right to appeal? (V)		
37. Does the automated system document and track corrective action plans agreed to by the agency and the lender/servicer, including proposed resolution dates, and update lender/servicer data to reflect any changes in status resulting from the corrective actions? (V)		
38. Does the automated system document and track appeals received from the lender/servicer and agency appeal decisions and generate a decision notice to the lender/servicer? (V)		
Collateral requirements		
(Note: There are no collateral requirements applicable to the lender management function.)		
Internal management information requirements		
39. Are the internal management information requirements (lender eligibility activity, completed reviews, lender performance, exceptions) available to agency credit program managers and designated internal review officials on a periodic or on an as requested basis? (M)		

Lender management	Yes/no na	Explanation
40. Has the agency determined the specific management information needs necessary to manage its credit programs based on the agency's mission and its applicable statutory requirements? (M)		
41. Does the system, in order to support the above needs, provide a user-friendly query tool (preferably graphics-based) that facilitates reporting rapidly on any required data elements? (M)		
42. Does the agency maintain financial accounting information at appropriate levels of summary (transaction, loan history, risk category, cohort, account) for computational and reporting purposes? (M)		
43. Has the agency determined whether the information should be provided on hard copy reports or through system queries? (M)		
Internal management information requirements – lender eligibility activity		
44. Does the lender eligibility summary provide information about the number of lender applications received, approved, and disapproved in a period? The purpose of this data summary is to monitor the lender application activity of the agency and the disposition of the lender applications. (M)		

	Yes/no	
Lender management	na	Explanation
Internal management	-144	Zapawiwavai
information requirements –		
completed reviews		
45. Does the summary convey the		
results of the lender reviews		
completed during the reporting		
period? (M)		
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46. Does the summary describe any		
recommended actions resulting		
from the lender reviews? (M)		
Internal management		
information requirements –		
lender performance		
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47. Does the summary present the		
overall performance of each		
lender's portfolio, including		
total losses across fiscal years?		
The purpose of this data summary is to identify lenders		
with consistently high default		
rates or other poor performance		
for agency review and		
evaluation. (M)		
Internal management		
information requirements –		
exceptions		
48. Does the summary highlight		
deficiencies in the lender		
management function? An		
example of exception data is a		
list of lenders who are not in		
compliance with agency and		
statutory requirements and who		
have not been penalized or		
decertified. (M)		
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49. Is the data summary generated periodically or on demand as		
needed? (M)		
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Guarantee extension and maintenance	Yes/no na	Explanation
General requirements	Ita	DAPMINUTOR
1. Does the agency provide guidance to its lenders for determining a borrower's creditworthiness? (M)		
2. Does the agency train its personnel to evaluate the lender's analysis of creditworthiness? (M)		
General requirements – guaranteed request evaluation process – process request for loan guarantee		
3. Does the automated system record critical data on the lender's guarantee request to support the guarantee evaluation process? (M)		
4. Does the automated system provide access to guarantee request information to each individual participating in the guarantee decision? (M)		
5. Does the automated system record text comments relevant to the guarantee decision? (V)		
General requirements – guaranteed request evaluation process – verify borrower program eligibility and creditworthiness		
6. Does the automated system, where applicable, compare borrower information on the lender's guarantee request to		

Guarantee extension and maintenance	Yes/no	Evalenation
agency program borrower eligibility criteria? (M)	na	Explanation
7. Does the automated system, where applicable, check the appropriate system data files to determine whether a lender has recently submitted a duplicate guarantee request for the applicant or a guarantee request for the applicant has been previously denied? (M)		
8. Does the automated system, where applicable, document whether the applicant has previously defaulted on debt to the federal government? (M)		
9. Does the automated system, where applicable, compare the applicant's creditworthiness information to system-stored program creditworthiness criteria and assign a credit risk rating to the applicant, unless specifically excluded by program requirements? (M)		
10. Does the automated system, where applicable, document that the lender obtained a credit bureau report? (V)		
11. Does the automated system, where applicable, document that the borrower's financial data, repayment ability, and repayment history have been verified? (V)		
General requirements – guaranteed request evaluation process – conduct funds control		

Guarantee extension and	Yes/no	
maintenance	na	Explanation
12. Does the automated system provide the information needed to compute the credit subsidy amount associated with a loan guarantee using projected cash flows and the applicable Treasury interest rate in accordance with OMB Circular A-34, Instructions on Budget Execution; OMB Circular A-11, Preparation and Submission of Budget Estimates (updated annually); and Statement of Federal Financial Accounting Standards (SFFAS) No. 2, Accounting for Direct Loans and Loan Guarantee. (M)		
13. Does the automated system provide an automated interface with the core financial system to determine if (1) sufficient funds are available in the program account and, if available, (2) lending limits in the financing account are sufficient to cover the subsidy cost and the face value of the proposed guarantee? (M)		
General requirements – guaranteed request evaluation process – approve/reject guarantee request 14. Does the automated system reflect the approved guarantee status? (M)		
15. Does the automated system accept, identify, track, and report supervisor overrides of system-generated acceptance/rejection recommendations? (M)		

Guarantee extension and maintenance	Yes/no na	Explanation
16. Does the automated system create and maintain a system record of rejected guarantee requests? (M)		
17. Does the automated system notify the lender of approval or disapproval (electronically where appropriate)? (V)		
General requirements – guaranteed origination process – issue loan guarantee		
18. Does the automated system record the cohort and risk category, as defined in OMB Circular A-34, <i>Instructions on Budget Execution</i> , associated with the guaranteed loan? (M)		
19. Does the automated system assign a unique account number to the guaranteed loan that remains unchanged throughout the life of the guarantee? (M)		
20. Does the automated system generate a guarantee endorsement to confirm that the loan is guaranteed and transmit it to the lender (electronically where possible)? (M)		
21. Does the automated system calculate and record the guarantee origination fee in accordance with the terms and conditions of the guarantee agreement? (M)		
22. Does the automated system record collections of origination fees received? (M)		

Guarantee extension and	Yes/no	T 1 (1
maintenance	na	Explanation
23. Does the automated system provide an automated interface with the core financial system to record the guaranteed loan commitment, the obligation for the related subsidy, and the origination fee, receivable, and collection? (M)		
24. Does the automated system transmit the origination fee invoice to the lender? (V)		
General requirements – guaranteed origination process – document lender loan		
disbursement		
25. Does the automated system provide an automated interface with the core financial system to record the outlay of subsidy from the program account? (M)		
26. Does the automated system record information on loan disbursements by the lender, including amounts and applicable Treasury interest rates, to support interest computations and subsidy reestimates, unless specifically excluded by program requirements? (M)		
27. Does the automated system provide the capability to receive electronic transmission of disbursement data by the lender? (V)		
28. Does the automated system provide the capability for		

Guarantee extension and maintenance	Yes/no na	Explanation
reporting loan closing information? (V)	na	DAPIGNATION
General requirements – guaranteed loan maintenance process – document loan modifications		
29. Does the automated system support reevaluation of the modified loans in accordance with OMB Circular A-34 and program policy? (M)		
30. Does the automated system reflect the modified status of the guaranteed loan? (M)		
31. Does the automated system establish a new loan account and collateral record for each new debt instrument? (M)		
32. Does the automated system assign a unique loan account number to the new account record? (M)		
33. Does the automated system maintain a link between the new loan account established for the new debt instrument and the old loan account records? (M)		
34. Does the automated system perform a funds control check to verify the availability of subsidy through an automated interface with the core financial system? (M)		
35. Does the automated system provide an automated interface with the core financial system to record the subsidy changes		

Guarantee extension and maintenance	Yes/no na	Explanation
associated with the guaranteed loan modification? (M)		
General requirements – guaranteed loan maintenance process – process fees		
36. Does the automated system compare guaranteed loan data to guaranteed fee criteria to determine which lenders owe guarantee fees? (M)		
37. Does the automated system compute the amount of the guarantee fee? (M)		
38. Does the automated system identify those lenders with overdue fee payments and calculate penalties on loans for lenders who have not submitted guarantee fee payments? (M)		
39. Does the automated system generate invoices, including penalties assessed for late payment, for guarantee fee payments due from lenders (electronically where possible)? (M)		
40. Does the automated system provide an automated interface with the core financial system to record the receipt of guarantee fees from lenders? (M)		
General requirements – guaranteed loan maintenance process – record interest supplement payments		

Guarantee extension and maintenance	Yes/no na	Explanation
41. Does the automated system identify guaranteed loans requiring interest supplement payments? (M)		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
42. Does the automated system compare current interest rates to the interest rates in the agreement to determine the appropriate levels of interest supplements required? (M)		
43. Does the automated system recognize the interest supplement payment as an interest subsidy expense and a loan guarantee interest supplement liability? (M)		
44. Does the automated system provide an automated interface with the core financial system to initiate and record disbursements for interest supplement payments? (M)		
45. If the guaranteed loan system handles the payment processing, does it meet the requirements in the <i>Core Financial System Requirements</i> related to payments and send summary data to the core financial system? (M)		
Collateral requirements		
46. Does the automated system capture the estimated useful economic life of the pledged collateral and compare it to the proposed term of the loan? (V)		
47. Does the automated system document that transactions over a predetermined amount		

Guarantee extension and maintenance	Yes/no na	Explanation
identified by program requirements have a collateral appraisal by a licensed or certified appraiser? (V)		
48. Does the automated system compute the loan-to-value ratio and flag those loans with a ratio exceeding applicable program requirements? (V)		
Internal management information requirements		
49. Are the internal management information requirements (approval and rejection monitoring, override expectations, potential application fraud, approval/rejection statistics, detailed transaction history, median loan-to-value ratio, loan guarantee fee collection, loan guarantee periodic fee collection, and exceptions) available to agency credit program managers and designated internal review officials on a periodic or on an as requested basis? (M)		
50. Has the agency determined the specific management information needs necessary to manage its credit programs based on the agency's mission and its applicable statutory requirements? (M)		
51. Does the system, in order to support the above needs, provide a user-friendly query tool (preferably graphics-based)		

Guarantee extension and maintenance	Yes/no na	Explanation
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53. Has the agency determined whether the information should be provided on hard copy reports or through system queries? (M)		
Internal management information requirements – approval and rejection monitoring		
54. Does the approval and rejection monitoring summary provide information about all credit applications that were approved or rejected for a given time period? (M)		
55. Are the data broken down into separate statistics on credit approvals and rejections? (M)		
56. Does the approval section indicate the number of approved applications and the percentage of total applications that they represent? (M)		
57. Are the total requested amount and the total approved amount shown for each loan origination office? (M)		

Guarantee extension and	Yes/no	
maintenance	na	Explanation
 58. Does the rejected application section contain the number of rejected applicants and the percentage of total applications they represent? (M) 59. Is the total of all loans requested also shown? (M) 60. Does the summary also list the 		
average time spent to process a credit application, from the time of application until the final decision is made? (M)		
Internal management information requirements – override expectations		
61. Does the override expectations summary identify all credit application decisions that override the action recommended by the automated system processes? Overrides can occur in two situations: an application is approved even though the borrower's program eligibility or creditworthiness assessment is not acceptable under agency program management criteria, or an application is rejected even though the applicant's program eligibility and creditworthiness are acceptable under agency program management criteria. (M)		
Internal management information requirements – potential application fraud		
62. Does the potential application fraud summary provide all applications that matched one		

Guarantee extension and maintenance	Yes/no na	Explanation
or more pending or recently rejected applications? Comparison is based on four criteria: applicant name, applicant address, applicant phone number, and applicant taxpayer identification number (TIN). If a pending application matches any of these criteria, the data fields that matched and the original application and pending application identification numbers will appear on this data summary with primary application identification information. (M)		
Internal management information requirements – approval/rejection statistics 63. Does the approval/rejection statistics summary contain statistics on guarantee approvals and rejections? (M)		
64. Is the data summary broken down into separate statistics on guarantee approvals and rejections? (M)		
65. Does the approval section indicate the number of approved applications and the percentage of total applications that they represent? (M)		
66. Are the total requested amount and total approved amount shown for each guarantee origination office? (M)		
67. Does the rejected application section contain the number of rejected applicants and the		

Guarantee extension and	Yes/no	E-mlonetion
maintenance	na	Explanation
percentage of total applications that they represent? (M)		
68. Is the total of all guarantees requested also shown? (M)		
Internal management information requirements – detailed transaction history		
69. Does the detailed transaction history summary contain detailed loan guarantee and account data? The data summary is used for control and tracking and also as an audit trail. (M)		
70. Is the information presented by program for both the current and prior reporting period? (M)		
Internal management		
information requirements –		
median loan-to-value ratio		
71. Is the median loan-to-value ratio summary used to track the median loan-to-value ratios for guarantees written by each regional office? The median loan-to-value ratio is the midpoint in the range of portfolio loan-to-value ratios. (M)		
Internal management information requirements – loan guarantee fee collection		
72. Is the loan guarantee fee collection summary used to monitor guarantee origination fee collections? (M)		

Guarantee extension and	Yes/no	
maintenance	na	Explanation
Internal management information requirements – loan guarantee periodic fee collection		
73. Is the loan guarantee periodic fee collection summary used to monitor the periodic loan guarantee fee collection activity? (M)		
Internal management information requirements – exceptions		
74. Does the exceptions summary highlight deficiencies in guarantee origination processing? (M)		
75. Is the exceptions summary (e.g., a list of approved requests that have not been processed in a specified period of time) generated periodically or on demand as needed? (M)		

Portfolio managamant	Yes/no	Explanation
Portfolio management General requirements – portfolio performance process – process guaranteed loan status reports from lender	na	Explanation
1. Does the automated system receive and document loan guarantee information from lenders (electronically where appropriate)? (M)		
2. Does the automated system maintain standard information on the history and status of each guaranteed loan (e.g., borrower identification, amount and nature of debt, loan originator, holder, and/or servicer)? (M)		
3. Does the automated system maintain data from the lender that identifies delinquent accounts and potential defaults? (M)		
4. Does the automated system provide agency access to the loan status information? (M)		
5. Does the automated system receive and record lender substitution and/or transfer data, i.e., secondary market sales (electronically where possible)? (M)		
6. Does the automated system accept lender data by cohort and risk category? (M)		
General requirements – portfolio performance process – compute portfolio performance measures		

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7.	Portfolio management Does the system's performance measurement highlight program trends to prompt reexamination of agency policies as conditions warrant? (M)	<u>na</u>	Explanation
8.	Is the value of a given performance measure examined within the context of the total cost to the agency using the measure? (M)		
9.	Does the automated system compute and maintain program performance information (e.g., number and dollar value of loans made, average loan size, loans made by geographical region, number and amount of defaulted loans, number and amount of claims paid, amount of loan write-offs)? (M)		
10.	Does the automated system compute and maintain financial measures to help assess the credit soundness of a loan program (e.g., overall portfolio risk rate, average loan-to-value ratio (for collateralized programs), write-offs as a percentage of seriously delinquent acquired loans, net proceeds on real property sold compared to appraised value, loan loss rates, recovery rates, loan currency rates)? (M)		
11.	Does the automated system maintain portfolio data needed to help determine the effectiveness of use of agency resources (e.g., administrative cost per loan guarantee approved, administrative cost per acquired loan serviced,		

Portfolio management	Yes/no na	Explanation
administrative cost per dollar collected, time required to process a loan guarantee application)? (M)		•
12. Does the agency reestimate subsidy costs upwards or downwards to reflect differences in interest rates, technical assumptions, and expected changes in current and future conditions that have occurred between the time of budget formulation and loan disbursement? (M)		
13. Does the agency use the funds management function of the core financial system to record the appropriations, apportionments, and limitations associated with the program account and financing account for each credit program? (M)		
14. Does the system access the core financial system to perform funds control validation? Accounting for and controlling administrative expenses related to credit programs can be accomplished in the core financial system, so this activity would not normally be included in the guaranteed loan system. (M)		
General requirements – program financing process – support Treasury borrowing calculations		
15. Are subsidy amounts estimated so as to cover the costs of any payments of guarantee claims for defaulted loans? (M)		

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Portfolio management 16. Does the automated system execute SF-1151s and record	na	Explanation
amounts borrowed from		
Treasury to cover temporary shortfalls in the subsidy		
estimates? (M)		
17. Does the automated system track the amount of uninvested		
funds in the financing account		
as needed to support interest earnings calculations? (M)		
18. Does the automated system compute interest expense on		
borrowings and interest earnings on univested funds?		
(M)		
19. Does the automated system execute and record repayment		
of principal using SF-1151s and interest to Treasury using SF-		
1081s? (M)		
20. Does the automated system execute and record receipt of		
interest earnings from Treasury on univested funds using		
SF-1081s? (M)		
General requirements – program financing process –		
support subsidy reestimates		
21. Does the reestimate of each		
cohort cash flow include claims paid and fees collected,		
defaults, delinquencies, recoveries, etc.? (M)		
22. Does the reestimate of each cohort cash flow include		
prepayments and collections of		
principal, interest, and fees		

Portfolio management	Yes/no na	Explanation
when the agency acquires the guaranteed loan? (M)		
23. Does the automated system support the reestimate of the subsidy cost for each cohort and risk category of loans at the beginning of each fiscal year in accordance with OMB Circular A-34 and SFFAS No. 2? (M)		
24. Does the automated system maintain cash flow data that permits comparison of actual cash flows each year (and new estimates of future cash flows), as well as historical data from prior years to the cash flows used in computing the latest loan subsidy estimate? (M)		
25. Does the automated system compare the current year reestimated subsidy cost to prior years reestimated loan subsidy costs to determine whether subsidy costs for a risk category increased or decreased? (M)		
26. Does the automated system transfer loan subsidy from those risk categories with an excess of loan subsidy to those risk categories in the same cohort that are deficient in loan subsidy to provide adequate funding for each risk category? (M)		
27. Does the automated system group those cohorts that need indefinite appropriation loan subsidy funds separately from those cohorts that have excess funds? (M)		

	Yes/no	
Portfolio management	na	Explanation
28. Does the automated system support the request for an apportionment and obligate funds to cover the subsidy increase for those cohorts of loans that have insufficient subsidy? (M)		
29. Does the automated system transfer excess subsidy of cohorts of loans to the special-fund receipt account? (M)		
30. Does the system support the reestimate calculation and provide the necessary data to record the reestimate in the core financial system? (M)		
General requirements – support subsidy estimate – loan characteristics		
31. Does the loan system maintain data that are predictive of loan performance and subsidy costs? Loan characteristics maintained in a loan system will vary greatly from program to program. (M)		
32. Is the information obtained from either the loan system, the core financial system, or other data repository within or outside the agency? (M)		
33. Does the agency collect at least the following loan characteristics:		
Loan number? Cash flows should be maintained at the individual loan level, even though analysis might often be done at the cohort level.		

	Yes/no	
Portfolio management	na	Explanation
Cash flows, such as receipts		=
from property disposition,		
must be tracked back to the		
original loan via the loan		
number or other data		
element used to identify the		
original loan.		
Date of obligation? This		
information is necessary for		
reviewing historical cohort		
data, since cohorts are		
defined by year of		
obligation, and for relating		
loan behavior to other dated		
variables.		
Loan terms and conditions?		
A system should maintain		
the actual loan terms,		
including maturity, interest		
rate, and up-front and/or		
annual fees. These data are		
critical for comparing actual		
payments to scheduled		
payments and for measuring		
the relationship between		
default risk and loan terms		
and conditions. The system		
should be able to calculate		
and report, as necessary, the		
aggregate repayment schedule for a cohort.		
Changes in loan terms and		
conditions? Any change in terms and conditions needs		
to be recorded in addition to		
to be recorded in addition to the original terms and		
conditions, not in place of		
them. These data are		
needed both to reestimate		
the subsidy cost and to		
establish a basis for		
estimating new subsidies.		
Borrower location?		
Agencies may choose to		
collect several location		
elements, such as zip code,		
creation, swell as zip code,		

	Yes/no	
Portfolio management	na	Explanation
congressional district code, approving office code, and servicing office code for regional analysis. Borrower creditworthiness? Since creditworthiness may be a strong predictor of defaults, the loan system should include measures of the financial condition of the business or individual receiving the loan and past credit experience, unless specifically excluded by program requirements. Loan use? Tracking the intended loan use may reveal a significant variance in cost depending on the use of loan proceeds. Program-specific data? Other loan characteristics may also be important in predicting default. The loanto-value ratio is a critical data element for predicting housing loan defaults; for student loans, the type of educational institution may be important; the value of collateral is required unless specifically excluded by	na	Explanation
General requirements – support subsidy estimate – economic data 34. Does the system maintain the primary economic factors that influence loan performance? The critical indictors will vary across programs. For housing loans, among other factors, property values and house appreciation rates should be		

	Yes/no	
Portfolio management	na	Explanation
monitored. For programs that	11a	DAPIGIGUIOII
determine a borrower's interest		
rates based on the borrower's		
income, all economic data on		
incomes should be maintained		
in either the guaranteed loan		
system, the core financial		
system, or another data		
repository within or outside the		
agency. (M)		
General requirements –		
support subsidy estimate –		
historical cash flows		
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35. Are all cash transactions related to each loan maintained in the		
system to allow for trend		
analysis? (M)		
analysis: (M)		
36. Has the agency considered		
grouping transactions by the		
type of cash flows that are		
projected in loan program		
subsidy estimates since		
transactions may be identified		
by a wide variety of		
transactional codes? These		
groupings will vary from		
program to program, depending		
on the way cash flows are		
projected for subsidy estimates. Examples of information		
groupings, which may be		
modified to fit actual loan		
programs, include:		
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Guaranteed amount.		
Disbursement amount and		
disbursement rate for each		
year.		
Up-front fee.		
Annual fees.		
Interest subsidies.		
Claims paid and guarantees		
terminated.		

	Yes/no	
Portfolio management	na	Explanation
Defaulted loan data including both the timing and amount. Delinquencies. Recoveries (including both the timing and amount) on defaulted loans by recovery method such as sale of collateral or offset programs. Loan-to-value ratios. Scheduled principal and interest payments (if the agency acquires and services the loan). Actual principal and interest payments (if the agency acquires and services the loan). Prepayment including	na	Explanation
timing and amount. Repayment activity. (M) 37. Does the agency obtain the above information from either the guaranteed loan system, the core financial system, or other data repository (such as microfiche or CD-ROM that permits easy retrieval of data) within or outside the agency? (M)		
Collateral requirements		
(Note: There are no collateral requirements applicable to the portfolio management function.)		
Internal Management Information Requirements		
38. Are the internal management information requirements (e.g., detailed transaction history, profile of guaranteed loan		

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Portfolio management portfolio, and program credit	na	Explanation
reform status) available to		
agency credit program		
managers and designated		
internal review officials on a		
periodic or on an as requested		
basis? (M)		
39. Has the agency determined the		
specific management		
information needs necessary to		
manage its credit programs		
based on the agency's mission and applicable statutory		
requirements? (M)		
40. Does the agency maintain financial accounting		
information at appropriate		
levels of summary for		
computational and reporting		
purposes (transaction, loan		
history, risk category, cohort,		
and account)? (M)		
41. Has the agency determined		
whether the information should		
be provided on hard copy		
reports or through system queries? (M)		
queries. (H)		
42. Does the system provide at least		
the following types of		
management information:		
Detailed transaction		
history?		
Profile of guaranteed loan		
portfolio?		
Program credit reform status? (M)		
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Internal management		
information requirements – detailed transaction history		
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Portfolio management	na	Explanation
43. Does the detailed transaction history summary identify, for each cohort, the number and amount of loan guarantees in each phase of the guaranteed loan life cycle? (M)		
44. Does the information provided include the number of loans current and delinquent, the number of loans for which a claim has been submitted, and the total number and value of loans in the portfolio? (M)		
Internal management information requirements – profile of guaranteed loan portfolio		
45. Does the profile of guaranteed loan portfolio summary provide a year-to-date profile of each guaranteed loan program, with comparisons to the prior year's loan guarantee activity? (M)		
Internal management information requirements – program credit reform status		
46. Does the program credit reform status summary provide the status of the fiscal year's credit reform appropriations and subsidy levels? (M)		

	Yes/no	
Acquired loan servicing	na	Explanation
General requirements		
1. Has the agency ensured that the lender has taken all appropriate steps to collect a debt including foreclosure and liquidation of any collateral? (M)		
General requirements –		
claim processing process –		
evaluate claim application		
2. If the lender has foreclosed and liquidated any collateral and still has a balance due, does the agency pay the claim and attempt to collect the deficient amount based on statutory requirements and agency policy? (M)		
3. Does the automated system record key claim data, maintain data on original and, if applicable, final claims? (M)		
4. Does the automated system compare the claim application information to the agency program claim application evaluation criteria? (M)		
5. Does the automated system suspend processing for claims that are incomplete until corrected? (M)		
6. Does the automated system identify claims not meeting agency program requirements and notify the lender of the rejection? (M)		
7. Does the automated system document and track information		

Acquired loan servicing	Yes/no na	Explanation
on accepted and rejected claims and the reason for the rejections? (M)	па	Explanation
8. Does the automated system reflect the status of the claim? (M)		
9. Does the automated system have edits to address claims issues? (M)		
10. Does the automated system record or track claims errors? (M)		
General requirements – claim processing process – process authorized claim for payment		
11. Does this activity support underlying details for the payment of an approved guaranteed loan claim to the lender? (M)		
12. Does the automated system calculate the claim payment to be made, making adjustments for any disallowed amounts or authorized debt collection activities? (M)		
13. Does the automated system provide an automated interface with the core financial system to initiate a disbursement of the claim payment to the lender? (M)		
14. If the system processes payments, does it meet the requirements in the <i>Core Financial System Requirements</i>		

	Yes/no	D 1 /
Acquired loan servicing	na	Explanation
related to payment data in the core financial system? (M)		
15. Does the automated system record acquired loan information and establish appropriate accounting entries, such as a receivable? (M)		
16. Does the agency ensure that invoices are generated promptly and that efficient mechanisms are in place to collect and record payments and to provide support for loan servicing? (M)		
17. Are borrowers encouraged to use preauthorized debit or credit cards when making loan payments? (M)		
General requirements – account status maintenance process – evaluate delinquent debtors for		
collection or write-off		
18. Does the automated system identify accounts for which collection is to be pursued? (M)		
19. Does the automated system identify accounts that should be written-off? (M)		
General requirements – account status maintenance process – invoice debtor		
20. Does the automated system calculate outstanding balances for each loan account invoiced, including principal, interest, late		

Acquired loan servicing	Yes/no na	Explanation
charges, and other amounts due? (M)	THE STATE OF THE S	Zipanwion
21. Does the automated system identify loan accounts to be invoiced based on agency program invoicing criteria and loan account information? (M)		
22. Does the automated system generate and transmit an invoice to each borrower? (M)		
23. Does the invoice include, at a minimum, borrower ID, amount due, date due, the date after which the payment will be considered late, and the current balance? (M)		
24. Does the automated system provide for automatic acceleration of delinquent installment payment notes based on the acceleration clause? (M)		
25. Does the automated system track and age receivables by type? (M)		
26. Does the automated system provide an automated interface with the core financial system to record accrual of interest, administrative charges, and penalties for delinquent loan accounts? (M)		
General requirements – account status maintenance process – apply collections		
27. Does the automated system apply collections according to		

Acquired loan servicing	Yes/no na	Explanation
agency program receipt application rules to the appropriate liquidating or financing account? (M)		•
28. Does the automated system record a partial, full, or late payment indicator? (M)		
29. Does the automated system identify payments that cannot be applied? (M)		
30. Does the automated system document the reasons why the payments cannot be applied? (M)		
31. Does the automated system provide an automated interface with the core financial system to record the collection? (M)		
32. If the system processes collections, does it meet the requirements in the <i>Core Financial System Requirements</i> related to collections? (M)		
33. If the system processes collections, does it send summary data to the core financial system? (M)		
Foreclose and liquidate collateral requirements – foreclose on collateral process— prepare foreclosure materials		
34. Does the automated system provide information on collateral for use in the foreclosure process? (M)		
35. Does the automated system update the acquired loan		

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Acquired loan servicing information store with additional information obtained during the foreclosure preparation process, such as recent appraisal values and property condition? (M) 36. Does the automated system	na	Explanation
calculate outstanding principal, interest, and penalties for each loan with collateral to be foreclosed? (M)		
Foreclose and liquidate collateral requirements – foreclose on collateral process— foreclose		
37. Does the automated system provide information to generate a foreclosure notice to the borrower? (M)		
38. Does the automated system transmit information necessary for the foreclosure to the Department of Justice and/or agency Office of General Counsel? (M)		
39. Does the automated system record the results of the foreclosure proceedings and title conveyance to the agency? (M)		
40. Does the automated system provide an automated interface of data on acquired collateral to the property management system for management and liquidation of the property? (M)		
41. Does the automated system provide an automated interface		

Acquired loan servicing	Yes/no na	Explanation
to the core financial system to record the value of the property acquired and to reduce the receivable amount? (M)		
Foreclose and liquidate collateral requirements – manage/dispose of collateral process – manage collateral		
42. Does the automated system generate payments to property management contractors for services rendered? (M)		
43. Does the automated system track, record, and classify operations and maintenance expenses related to the acquired collateral? (M)		
44. Does the automated system document rental income and other collections related to the acquired collateral? (M)		
45. Does the automated system post the expenses and income to the core financial system through an automated interface? (M)		
Foreclose and liquidate collateral requirements – manage/dispose of collateral process – dispose of collateral		
46. Does the automated system update the acquired loan information store to record receipts resulting from the liquidation of acquired collateral and the disposition of the collateral? (M)		

	Yes/no	
Acquired loan servicing	na	Explanation
47. Does the automated system identify any deficiency balances remaining for the loan after collateral liquidation for further collection activities? (M)		
48. Does the automated system provide an automated interface to the core financial system and the property management system to record disposal of the property and associated receipts? (M)		
Internal management information requirements		
49. Are the following minimum internal management information requirements available to agency credit program managers and designated internal review officials on a periodic or on an as requested basis:		
Guaranteed loan claim activity? Summary data of claim losses paid out? Detailed transaction history? Standard management control/activity? Exceptions? Portfolio sale historical payments? Portfolio sale performance? Collateral management activity and expense? (M)		
50. Has the agency determined the specific management information necessary to manage its credit programs		

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Acquired loan servicing based on the agency's mission	na	Explanation
and applicable statutory		
requirements? (M)		
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51. Does the agency maintain financial accounting		
information at appropriate		
levels of summary (transaction,		
loan history, risk category, cohort, and account) for		
computational and reporting		
purposes? (M)		
52. Has the agency determined		
whether the information should		
be provided on hard copy		
reports or through system queries? (M)		
queries. (M2)		
Internal management		
information requirements – guaranteed loan claim activity		
guaranteed loan claim activity		
53. Is the summary used to monitor		
trends in claim activity over time? (M)		
unie: (W)		
54. Is the information presented at		
the cohort level for the current		
year and prior years? (M)		
Internal management		
information requirements –		
summary data of claim losses paid out		
55. Is the summary used to		
compare the estimated claim losses of guaranteed loan		
programs to the actual losses		
incurred by the program? (M)		
Internal management		
information requirements –		
detailed transaction history		

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Acquired loan servicing 56. Does the summary provide	na	Explanation
detailed loan account data and		
payment transaction activity to		
give a detailed history of applied		
and unapplied payments? (M)		
Internal management information requirements – standard management control/activity		
57. Does the summary track the status of all loan accounts by summarizing loan activity at various critical points of the loan cycle? (M)		
58. Does the collection process summarize payment activity to allow agency management to monitor the effectiveness of each activity in the collection process? (M)		
59. Is the delinquency information summarized to highlight delinquent debt (collateralized and noncollateralized) and modified debt? (M)		
60. Is this data summary produced periodically? (M)		
61. Does the summary provide information for preparing the SF-220-9 and SF-220-8? (M)		
Internal management		
information requirements -		
exceptions		
62. Does the summary identify deficiencies that have occurred in the routine processing and monitoring of account status? Examples of exceptions include		

Acquired loan servicing	Yes/no na	Explanation
unapplied payments and delinquent accounts not eligible for debt collection tools. (M)	na	DAPIGITATION
63. Is the summary generally produced periodically? (M)		
Internal management information requirements – portfolio sale historical payments		
64. Does the summary provide a detailed payment history for each loan included in the portfolio selected for sale? Historical payment data is critical in order to assess the investment value of the portfolio to be offered for sale and in determining the structure and terms of the sale. (M)		
Internal management information requirements – portfolio sale performance		
65. Does the summary provide the rating agencies and financial advisors with statistics to more effectively evaluate portfolio characteristics performance? Statistics include loan-to-value ratios, effective yields, and loss estimates. (M)		
Internal management information requirements – collateral management activity and expense		
66. Does the summary provide detailed and summary data of collateral management activity and expense data for monitoring collateral management activities		

Acquired loan servicing	Yes/no na	Explanation
that affect the value of the agency-owned property prior to disposition? (M)		
67. Is all income earned and are expenses incurred while the collateral is in the agency's possession are these recorded and tracked to support the agency's ability to recover the expenses? (M)		

	Delinquent debt collection/	Yes/no	
<u> </u>	troubled debt servicing	na	Explanation
1.	Does the agency that repurchases and services its guaranteed loans or is assigned collection rights when loss claims are paid comply with the Debt collection Improvement Act of 1996? (M)		
2.	Has the agency established a collection strategy consistent with its statutory program authority that seeks to return the debtor to a current payment status or, failing that, maximize the collections that can be realized? (M)		
co	neral requirements – llection actions process – port delinquent debt		
3.	Does the automated system identify delinquent commercial and consumer accounts for reporting to credit bureaus (preferably by electronic interface) by comparing reporting criteria to delinquent loan data? (M)		
4.	Does the automated system calculate outstanding balances, including interest, penalties, and administrative charges, and include this information in credit bureau records? (M)		
5.	Does the automated system generate (or include in demand letters) a notice to inform the borrower of the referral of a delinquent debt to a credit bureau in accordance with regulations? (M)		

Delinquent debt collection/	Yes/no	
troubled debt servicing	na	Explanation
6. Does the automated system maintain a record of each account reported to credit bureaus to allow tracking of referred accounts? (V)		
7. Does the automated system identify delinquent commercial and consumer accounts for reporting to CAIVRS by comparing reporting criteria to delinquent loan data? (V)		
8. Does the automated system generate (or include in demand letters) a notice to inform the borrower of the referral of a delinquent debt to CAIVRS in accordance with regulations? (V)		
9. Does the automated system prepare data on appropriate medium, on a monthly basis, of delinquent debtors to be included in the CAIVRS database? (V)		
General requirements – collection actions process – contact with the debtor		
10. Does the automated system generate and transmit dunning letters to debtors with past-due loan accounts? (M)		
11. Does the automated system identify debtors who do not respond to dunning letters within a specified time period? (M)		
12. Does the automated system track demand letters and borrower responses to		

Delinquent debt collection/ troubled debt servicing	Yes/no na	Explanation
document borrower due process notification (and borrower willingness and ability to repay debt)? (M)		•
13. Does the automated system track and document debtor appeals received in response to demands for payment? (M)		
14. Does the system provide automated support to the collection process? (M)		
15. If so, is support provided for activities such as contacting a delinquent borrower by phone; documenting contacts with a debtor and the results; documenting installment payments, rescheduling agreements, and debt compromise; generating management reports; and tracking the performance of individual agency collectors? (M)		
General requirements – collection actions process – refer for Treasury offset		
16. Does the automated system identify accounts eligible for referral to the Treasury offset program (TOP)? (M)		
17. Does the automated system generate written notification to the borrower that includes the following:		
The nature and the amount of the debt? The intention of the agency to collect the debt through		

Delinquent debt collection/	Yes/no	
troubled debt servicing	na	Explanation
administrative offset? An explanation of the rights of the debtor? An offer to provide the debtor an opportunity to inspect and copy the records of the agency with respect to the debt? An offer to enter into a written repayment agreement with the agency? (M)		
18. Does the automated system identify, at the end of the notification period, the debtors who remain delinquent and are eligible for referral? (M)		
19. Does the automated system offset delinquent debts internally before referral to TOP, where applicable? (M)		
20. Does the automated system transmit to TOP eligible new debts, and increase, decrease, or delete previously reported debts? (M)		
21. Does the automated system apply collections received through the TOP process to debtor accounts in accordance with applicable payment application rules? (M)		
22. Does the automated system record offset fees in accordance with agency program requirements? (M)		
23. Does the automated system update the loan information store to reflect TOP status? (M)		

Delinquent debt collection/ troubled debt servicing	Yes/no na	Explanation
24. Does the automated system update the core financial system to record collections from TOP? (M)		
25. Does the automated system process agency refunds given to borrowers erroneously and offset and transmit this information to Treasury on time? (M)		
26. Does the automated system record refunds given by Treasury and adjust the loan information store accordingly? (M)		
General requirements – collection actions process – garnishment of nonfederal wages		
27. Does the agency give the debtor at least 30-days written notice of its intent to initiate garnishment proceedings? (M)		
28. Does the automated system generate a written notice informing the borrower of the agency's intention to initiate proceedings to collect the debt through deductions from pay, the nature and amount of the debt to be collected, and debtors' rights? (M)		
29. Does the automated system document that the wage garnishment order was sent to the employer? (M)		
30. Does the automated system provide an ad hoc reporting capability needed to monitor the		

Delinquent debt collection/ troubled debt servicing	Yes/no na	Explanation
amounts recovered through nonfederal wage garnishment? (M)		Î
31. Does the automated system document that the agency provided debtors with a hearing, when requested? (M)		
32. Does the automated system interface with the core financial system to record receipts remitted to the agency? (M)		
33. Does the automated system apply collections received through wage garnishment according to agency application rules? (M)		
General requirements – collection actions process – refer to collection agencies		
34. Does the automated system compare delinquent account data to agency program collection and agency referral criteria to select delinquent loan accounts for referral to collection agencies? (M)		
35. Does the automated system sort and group delinquent loan accounts based on type of debt (consumer or commercial), age of debt, and location of debtor? (M)		
36. Does the automated system calculate outstanding interest, penalties, and administrative charges for each delinquent loan account to be referred? (M)		

Delinquent debt collection/ troubled debt servicing	Yes/no na	Explanation
37. Does the automated system assign selected delinquent loan account groupings to appropriate collection agencies based on collection agency selection criteria for agency programs? (M)		•
38. Does the automated system document that the delinquent account has been referred to a collection agency? (M)		
39. Does the automated system generate and receive electronic transmissions of account balance data and status updates to and from collection agencies? (M)		
40. Does the automated system record receipts remitted to the collection agency and forwarded to the agency? (M)		
41. Does the automated system update the loan information store to reflect receipts, adjustments, and other status changes, including rescheduling, compromise, and other resolution decisions? (M)		
42. Does the automated system accept and match collection agency invoices with agency records? (M)		
43. Does the automated system generate payment to the collection agency for services rendered through the core financial system? (M)		
44. Does the automated system request, reconcile, and record		

Delinquent debt collection/ troubled debt servicing	Yes/no na	Explanation
returned accounts from collection agencies? (M)		
45. Does the automated system interface with the core financial system to record collections processed through collection agencies? (M)		
General requirements – collection actions process – refer for litigation activities		
46. Are referrals to the Department of Justice (DOJ) made in accordance with the Federal Claims Collections Standards? (M)		
47. Does the automated system compare delinquent loan account information against the agency's litigation referral criteria to identify delinquent loan accounts eligible for referral? (M)		
48. Does the automated system support identification of accounts to be referred to counsel for filing of proof of claim based on documentation that a debtor has declared bankruptcy? (M)		
49. Does the automated system provide an electronic interface with credit bureaus to obtain credit bureau reports that will enable assessment of the debtor's ability to repay before a claim is referred to legal counsel? (M)		
50. Does the automated system calculate the outstanding		

Delinquent debt collection/ troubled debt servicing	Yes/no na	Explanation
balance, including principal, interest penalties, and administrative charges, for each delinquent loan account to be referred to legal counsel? (M)		
51. Does the automated system generate the claims collection litigation report (CCLR)? (M)		
52. Does the CCLR capture collection actions and current debtor information and transmit this information to DOJ? (M)		
53. Does the automated system send and receive electronic transmissions of account data and status updates to and from DOJ's Central Intake Facility or the agency's Office of General Counsel's (OGC) automated system for referrals? (M)		
54. Does the automated system update loan status to reflect referral for litigation so that the loan can be excluded from other collection actions and to alert the agency to obtain approval from counsel before accepting voluntary debtor payment? (M)		
55. Does the automated system track filing of pleadings and other motions, including proofs of claims in bankruptcy, to ensure swift legal action and to monitor litigation activity? (M)		
56. Does the automated system match agency litigation referrals with the DOJ list of agency litigation referrals? (M)		

Delinquent debt collection/ troubled debt servicing	Yes/no na	Explanation
57. Does the automated system record and track recovery of judgment decisions? (M)		
58. Does the automated system update the loan information store to reflect receipts and adjustments? (M)		
59. Does the automated system interface with the core financial system to record any collections resulting from litigation? (M)		
General requirements – write-off and close-outs process – identify and document accounts selected for write-off		
60. Does the automated system compare delinquent loan account information to agency program write-off criteria to select delinquent loan accounts for possible write-off? (M)		
61. Does the automated system classify debtors based on financial profile and ability to repay? Indicators of the financial well-being of a debtor include debtor financial statements, credit bureau reports, and payment receipt history. (M)		
62. Does the automated system produce a CCLR for each loan account to be referred to agency counsel or DOJ for approval of termination of collection action? (M)		

Delinquent debt collection/ troubled debt servicing	Yes/no na	Explanation
63. Does the automated system update the loan status to reflect the referral? (M)	3.0	
64. Does the automated system update the loan information store to reflect approval or disapproval by agency counsel or the DOJ for termination of the collection action? (M)		
65. Does the automated system update the loan information store and provide an automated interface with the core financial system to record the write-off of the receivable? (M)		
General requirements – write-off and close-outs process – monitor written-off accounts		
66. Does the automated system maintain a suspense file of inactive (written-off) loan accounts? (M)		
67. Does the automated system reactivate written-off loan accounts at a system user's request if the debtor's financial status or the account status changes? (M)		
General requirements – write-off and close-outs process – document close-out of uncollectible accounts		
68. Does the automated system compare loan account data to agency close-out criteria to identify debtor accounts eligible		

Delinquent debt collection/ troubled debt servicing	Yes/no na	Explanation
for close-out and 1099-C reporting? (M)		
69. Does the automated system prepare and send a Form 1099-C to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) if the debtor has not responded within the required time period? (M)		
70. Does the automated system update the loan information store to reflect receipts, adjustments, and other status changes, including rescheduling, compromise, and other resolution decisions? (M)		
71. Does the automated system retain electronic summary records of close-out account activity for 5 years for use in agency screening of new loan applications? (M)		
Collateral requirements (Note: There are no collateral requirements applicable to the portfolio management function.)		
Internal management information requirements		
72. Are the internal management information requirements (detailed transaction history, standard management control/activity, exceptions, trend analysis/performance, collection contractor compensation) available to agency credit program managers and designated internal review officials on a		

Delinquent debt collection/	Yes/no	Employation
periodic or on an as requested basis? (M)	na	Explanation
73. Has the agency determined the specific management information needs necessary to manage its credit programs based on the agency mission and applicable statutory requirements? (M)		
74. Is the agency maintaining financial accounting information at appropriate levels of summary (transaction, loan history, risk category, cohort, and account) for computational and reporting purposes? (M)		
75. Has the agency determined whether the information should be provided on hard copy reports or through system queries? (M)		
Internal management information requirements – detailed transaction history		
76. Does the detailed transaction history summary provide detailed account information by cohort for internal control and tracking, and, in the absence of an electronic interface to external entities, can the history be used to transfer data from the agency to the external entity to facilitate delinquent debt collection actions? (M)		
77. Are separate data summaries produced for offset referrals, collection agency referrals,		

Delinquent debt collection/	Yes/no	
troubled debt servicing	na	Explanation
litigation referrals, and write- offs and close-outs? (M)		
Internal management information requirements – standard management control/activity		
78. Does the standard management control/activity summary track the status of all referral activity including initial referrals, status updates, and account balance updates? (M)		
79. Are separate and summary lists produced for individual and total reporting and referral activity? (M)		
Internal management information requirements – exceptions		
80. Does the exceptions summary highlight deficiencies that have occurred in the referral process? Examples of subjects for periodic exception information include delinquent accounts eligible for reporting that have not been reported, defaulted rescheduled loans, account referrals that can not be processed, collection agency resolution percentage, accounts without foreclosure or collateral management activity for a specified period of time, accounts referred for litigation for which no litigation decision has been recorded, and delinquent accounts without activity for long periods of time that have not been written-off. (M)		

Delinquent debt collection/	Yes/no	
troubled debt servicing	na	Explanation
Internal management information requirements – trend analysis/performance	III	DAPIGNACION
81. Does the trend analysis/ performance summary highlight the effectiveness of different delinquent debt collection techniques over time? (M)		
82. Does the summary indicate the effectiveness of using different types of collection actions for different credit programs? (M)		
Internal management information requirements – collection contractor compensation		
83. Does the collection contractor compensation summary provide monthly account analyses to calculate, track, and verify compensation for each contractor providing collection services to an agency? This information aids in the verification of invoices received from the contractor and highlights the differences in fee schedules among contractors. (M)		

		Yes/no	
_	Treasury cross-servicing	na	Explanation
1.	Has the agency entered into a letter of agreement with Treasury Financial Management Service (FMS) authorizing FMS		
	to provide debt collection services before referring debt to a debt collection center? (M)		
2.	Does the agreement detail the limitations and parameters required for the compromise, settlement, or termination of collection action? (M)		
3.	If applicable, has the agency submitted a proposal to Treasury that contains the documentation supporting its request to be designated as a debt collection center? (M)		
4.	Does the proposal indicate what types of debts the agency wishes to cross-service and its success at collecting its own delinquent accounts? (M)		
5.	Has the agency discontinued all servicing activities at the time the debt is referred to Treasury for cross-servicing? (M)		
Ide	entify accounts selected		
6.	Does the automated system compare delinquent loan account information to statutory criteria to select delinquent loan accounts for possible referral? (M)		
7.	Does the automated system generate notification to the debtor of the agency's intent to		

	Yes/no	
Treasury cross-servicing	na	Explanation
refer the debt to a debt collection center? (M)		
8. Does the automated system update the loan information store? (M)		
9. Does the automated system identify accounts that can no longer be serviced by agency personnel? (M)		
Monitor accounts referred to the debt collection center		
10. Does the automated system identify accounts with monetary adjustments that must be reported to the debt collection center? (M)		
11. Does the automated system provide an ad hoc reporting capability needed to monitor the accounts referred to a debt collection center and the amounts recovered? (M)		
12. Does the automated system interface with the core financial system to record receipts remitted to the agency? (M)		
13. Does the automated system apply collections received from the debt collection center according to agency application rules? (M)		
14. Does the automated system record collection fees in accordance with agency program requirements? (M)		
15. Does the automated system process agency or debt		

	Yes/no	
Treasury cross-servicing	na	Explanation
collection center refunds, notify the debt collection center as		
appropriate, and update the		
loan information store? (M)		
16. Does the automated system		
notify the debt collection center of adjustments, recalls of debt,		
or collections received by the		
agency on the referred debt?		
(M)		
17. Does the automated system		
remove from the accounting and		
financial records accounts that		
the debt collection center		
recommends should be written off? (M)		
on. (m)		
Use an agency authorized to		
cross-service		
18. Does the automated system		
identify the volume and type of		
debts serviced? (M)		
19. Does the automated system		
identify the tools used by the		
agency to collect its own debt?		
(M)		
20. Does the automated system		
provide one or more years of		
information on the average age		
of debt over 180 days? (M)		
21. Does the automated system		
calculate the amount of debt		
collected using various		
collection tools? (M)		
22. Does the automated system		
accrue late charges, as required		
by the referring agency? (M)		

	Yes/no	
Treasury cross-servicing	na	Explanation
23. Does the automated system provide information to the referring agency sufficient for the referring agency to satisfactorily complete the Report on Receivables Due From the Public? (M)		•
24. Does the automated system track, by portfolio, age of debt referred, dollar and number of referrals, collections on referred debts and monthly report to Treasury? (M)		
25. Does the automated system provide information to the referring agency as needed, i.e., collections received? (M)		
26. Does the automated system provide ad hoc reporting capability needed to satisfy referring agencies' unique information requests, such as length of workout agreements and percent of debt that can be compromised? (M)		
Internal management		
information requirements		
27. Are the internal management information requirements available to agency credit program managers and designated internal review officials on a periodic or on an as requested basis? (M)		
28. Has the agency determined the specific management information needs necessary to manage its credit programs based on the agency mission		

	Yes/no	
Treasury cross-servicing	na	Explanation
and applicable statutory requirements? (M)		
29. Does the agency maintain financial accounting information at appropriate levels of summary for computational and reporting purposes (transaction, loan history, risk category, cohort, and account)? (M)		
30. Has the agency determined whether the information should be provided on hard copy reports or through system queries? (M)		

	Yes/no	
Other reporting requirements	na	Explanation
Transaction history		
Is the system capable of producing a complete transaction history of each loan? (M)		
External reporting		
requirements		
2. Is the system capable of supporting the external reporting requirements of OMB and Treasury, including those associated with the Federal Credit Reform Act (FCRA) of 1990 and the CFO Act of 1990? (M)		

	Yes/no	
Records retention	na	Explanation
1. Is the destruction of agency records, created within the federal government, approved by NARA per 36 CFR 1228? For questions regarding the disposition of federal records, contact:		
Life Cycle Management Division National Archives and Records Administration 7 th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20408. The telephone number is (301) 713-7110. (M)		

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These related products address three main categories: internal control, financial management systems, and financial reporting (accounting standards). We have developed these guidelines and tools to assist agencies in improving or maintaining effective operations and financial management.

Internal Control

Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government GAO/AIMD-00-21.3.1, November 1999.

Streamlining the Payment Process While Maintaining Effective Internal Control GAO/AIMD-00-21.3.2, May 2000.

Determining Performance and Accountability Challenges and High Risks GAO-01-159SP, November 2000.

Financial Management Systems

Framework for Federal Financial Management System Checklist GAO/AIMD-98-21.2.1, May 1998. Inventory System Checklist GAO/AIMD-98-21.2.4, May 1998.

System Requirements for Managerial Cost Accounting Checklist GAO/AIMD-99-21.2.9, January 1999. Core Financial System Requirements Checklist GAO/AIMD-00-21.2.2, February 2000.

Human Resources and Payroll Systems Requirements Checklist GAO/AIMD-00-21.2.3, March 2000. Direct Loan System Requirements Checklist GAO/AIMD-00-21.2.6, April 2000.

Travel System Requirements Checklist GAO/AIMD-00-21.2.8, May 2000. Seized Property and Forfeited Assets Requirements Checklist GAO-01-99G, October 2000.

Financial Reporting (Accounting Standards)

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